SENATE BILL 1274

By Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 22, relative to juries.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 22-1-103, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() Upon request, a judge or, if a judge delegates such authority, a jury coordinator shall excuse any practicing physician from jury service. A physician making a request to be excused from jury service must provide the court with documentation verifying that the person is a physician licensed to practice medicine.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.